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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to the first Official Action and calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before paragraph number 001, insert the following paragraph:

--This application is a continuation-in-part of international application No. PCT/FI00/00754, filed 7 September 2000, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.--

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